



**STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS FOR THE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
LOS ANGELES COUNTY COMMISSION ON LOCAL
GOVERNMENTAL SERVICES
KENNETH HAHN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION
500 WEST TEMPLE STREET, ROOM 374-A
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90012**

Tuesday, September 10, 2013

9:00 AM

AUDIO LINK FOR THE ENTIRE MEETING. (13-4264)

Attachments: [AUDIO](#)

Present: Chairperson Mark Burman, Vice Chairperson Bob Archuleta, Commissioner Barry Waite, Commissioner Alexander Ponder, Commissioner Jess Talamantes and Commissioner Jules

Excused: Commissioner Rodrigo Guerra Jr., Commissioner Tyler Kelley and Commissioner Andrew Westall

Call to Order. (13-4044)

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Burman at 9:10 a.m. Chairperson Mark Burman announced the passing of Second Vice Chairperson Al Legia and talked briefly about his contributions and service to the Commission and the County as a whole.

Chairperson Burman introduced and welcomed Commissioner Jesse Gabriel to the Commission. Commissioner Gabriel is a Third District appointee.

First Vice Chairperson Archuleta joined the meeting at 9:19 a.m. Commissioners Ponder and Bagneris III, joined the meeting at 9:17 a.m. and 9:38 a.m. respectively.

I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

- 1. Election of Second Vice Chair. (13-4048)**

Chairperson Burman opened the floor for the election of a Second Vice Chairperson.

First Vice Chairperson Bob Archuleta nominated Commissioner Jess Talamantes to serve as Second Vice Chairperson.

On motion of First Vice Chairperson Bob Archuleta, seconded by Commissioner Barry Waite and unanimously carried, Commissioner Jess Talamantes was elected as the new Second Vice Chairperson.

2. Approval of the Minutes of July 23, 2013. (13-3394)

On motion of Commissioner Barry Waite, seconded by Commissioner Jules Bagneris III, and unanimously carried, the minutes of July 23, 2013 were approved.

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II. PRESENTATIONS

3. Presentation on the Los Angeles County Court Closures and Public Safety Realignment Act of 2011 (AB 109 & AB 117). (Continued from the meeting of June 6, 2013)

Captain Anne Clark, LAPD, Gang and Narcotics Division (12-5125)

Captain Anne Clark, Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD), Gangs and Narcotics Division and Lieutenant Leland Sands (LAPD) presented a PowerPoint presentation on “The Impact of AB 109 on the LAPD”. The presentation highlighted statistical information, AB 109’s impact on LAPD jail facilities, and securing the safety of the Los Angeles residents.

The presentation also included the steps that LAPD has taken to address AB 109; the impact AB 109 has had on LAPD resources; the parole compliance unite activities between the months of January 2012 – August 2013; the legislative issues of AB 109; the impact AB 109 had on LA City Jails; and future projections. Captain Clark also answered questions posed by the Commissioners. Chairperson Burman thanked Captain Clark for the presentation.

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4. Presentation and Update: “Recovery Housing - Community Asset and the Effect of the Community Care Facilities Ordinance (CCFO) on Housing Options.” Continued from the meetings of March 5, and June 6, 2013)

The Sober Living Network
Jeff Christensen, Executive Director (13-4049)

Jeff Christensen, Executive Director of the Sober Living Network (SNL), provided a PowerPoint presentation reviewing the Community Care Facilities Ordinance (CCFO) and the Current Los Angeles County Training Plans for Sober Living Environments and the steps that the SLN is taking in LA County to operate and train the existing residents.

Mr. Dave Sheridan, Board Member, Founder of the National Association of Recovery Residents was introduced by Mr. Christensen to address the current status of the CCFO. Mr. Sheridan stated that the CCFO was proposed in 2007-2008. The current version is intended to band single family households with multiple lease holders and diverse financial relationships. The recommendation is that they apply for boarding permits in other neighborhoods.

The presentation highlighted issues within the following areas; a growing national problem; the types of official discrimination; the City of Los Angeles proposal; COSTS of discrimination; Stopping the freight train; turning the tide; the existing problem properties landlords—past, present and future; Solution framework; and the Southern California Recovery Residences.

Mr. Sheridan also answered questions posed by the Commissioners.

Mr. Christensen added to the presentation by outlining the Benefits of Sober Living Residences as follows:

- **Better Outcomes**
- **Monthly income**
- **Incarceration Rates**
- **Abstinence Rates**

Mr. Christensen concluded the presentation by reporting that the County of Los Angeles, Substance Abuse Prevention and Control has requested that all the sober living homes in Los Angeles County be trained in 2014

- **There will be three 1 hour trainings delivered during their regularly scheduled Chapter Meetings.**
- **Trainings will be held in January 2014, October 2014, and January 2015.**
- **Trainings will be mandatory for all homes who want to be recognized by the County of Los Angeles as a quality recovery residence.**

The Training Curriculum will include:

- **Good Neighbor Policy and Procedures (Jan 2014)**
- **Housing Ex-Offenders – How AB 109 and related initiatives support ex-offenders (April 2014)**
- **Affordable Care Act – how to assist residents in accessing health care (September 2014)**
- **All homes in Los Angeles County are required to send one representative of their house to each training**
- **Trainings will be given in all six Los Angeles County Chapters in the scheduled month. If you miss your Chapter's meeting, you can attend another Chapter's**
- **Houses that complete all three trainings will be given priority recognition on the website and through County Referrals**

See supporting document (PowerPoint presentation) for more detailed information.

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5. A presentation proposing to the Local Governmental Services Commission to recommend to the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors, to name the 90048 neighborhood as Lower West Hollywood (LoWeHo) (Continued from the meeting of July 23, 2013)

Tara Riceberg
TWEAK (13-4159)

Tara Riceberg, of TWEAK, provided the Commission with an update on the proposal to rename the 90048 neighborhood. Ms. Riceberg reported that she has decided that renaming the neighborhood “Beverly Village” would be more fitting. She has also gathered 200 signatures from residents in support of her efforts. She stated that the project has been mentioned in magazines and blogs about the mission to create a real community. Ms. Riceberg further stated that she is currently working on a press release and has spoken to KTLA regarding this great cause to bring more communities to Los Angeles.

III. MISCELLANEOUS

Matters Not Posted

6. Matters not on the posted agenda, to be discussed and (if requested) referred to staff or placed on the agenda for action at a future meeting, or matters requiring immediate action because of an emergency situation or where the need to take action came to the attention of the Committee subsequent to the posting of the agenda. (13-4217)

There were no matters presented for a future agenda.

Public Comment

7. Opportunity for members of the public to address the Commission on items of interest that are within the jurisdiction of the Commission. (13-4218)

Mr. Arnold Saks addressed the Commissioners on item #3 on the agenda and stated that he is in disagreement due to the release of inmates since 2005. He also stated that the budget has become an ongoing problem because of unfilled funded positions within Los Angeles County.

Mr. Arnold Saks also informed the Commission about the article in the Daily Breeze that referred to state zoning laws for transient housing in Lawndale, CA and the other cities involved.

Mr. Nicholas Kfourri addressed the Commission regarding the status of his Southern California Edison Bill.

Chair Burman informed him that the Commission is looking into his issue, contacts have been made and as soon they have an answer he will be notified.

Commissioner Bagneris III, recommended that Mr. Kfourri continue his personal efforts in resolving his issue and the Commission will continue their efforts as well.

Adjournment

8. Adjournment for the meeting of September 10, 2013. (13-4219)

There being no further business, Chairperson Burman adjourned the meeting at 10:34 a.m.